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The attached photographs were taken of two of a group of five tanks which, [REDACTED] on 20 March 1950, were coming from the direction of Altes Dorf Döberitz (b 53/3 65) and entered the horseback ranger Kaserne.

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[REDACTED] Comment:

a. It is believed that the two attached photographs represent the medium-type T42 tank which differs from the T34/85 tank by its thicker front armor of the turret, a slimmer turret figuration, a lower over-all height and spoked bogie wheels. The solid wheels of the T34 are also used by the T44, as shown in picture one.

b. The fact that both the T34/85 and T44 tank types were seen in one column shows that the medium tank regiments are not yet uniformly equipped with the same type of tank.

1 Annex: 2 Photographs

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